

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: LLOYD M. SMITH ET AL.

Serial No.: 07/660,160

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For: AUTOMATED DNA SEQUENCING

TECHNIQUE

Date: February 19, 1993

Art Unit: 1807

Examiner: S. Chambers

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

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Date

Responsive to the Office Action of November 23, 1992.

Reconsideration is requested in view of the following remarks.

Regarding the October 13, 1988 filing in Serial No. 106,232 of the "Petition and Amendment Under Rule 48," and other related documents, adding to have the name of Charles R. Connell added as a joint inventor, the Examiner's criticisms are noted and we shall be shortly filing additional papers addressing these points.

The claims are 15 to 22 and 36 to 38.

The rejection of claims 36 to 38 and the objection to the